ಶ್ರೀ ಎಚ್. ಕೆ. ವೀರಣ್ಣಗೌಡ.—ಗೊತ್ತಿಲ್ಲ.

ಶ್ರೀ ಜೆ. ಬಿ. ಮಲ್ಲಾರಾಧ್ಯ.—ಈ ವರ್ಷ ಪೂರ್ತಿಯಾಗಿ ದುಡ್ಡನ್ನು ಖರ್ಚು ಮಾಡುವಂತೆ ಸಂಬಂಧಪಟ್ಟ ಅಧಿಕಾರಿಗಳಿಗೆ ಕಟ್ಟಾಜ್ಞೆಯನ್ನು ಕಳುಹಿಸುತ್ತೀರಾ?

ಶ್ರೀ ಎಚ್. ಕೆ. ವೀರಣ್ಣಗೌಡ.—ಅಗತ್ಯವಾಗಿ ಕಳುಹಿಸುತ್ತೇವೆ.

ಶ್ರೀ ಜೆ. ವೆಂಕಟೇಗೌಡ.—ಮದರಾಸು ಪ್ರಾಂತದಲ್ಲಿ ಸ್ಪೆಷಲ್ ಫಂಡ್ ರೋಡ್‌ಗಳಿಗೆ ಎರಡು ಸಾವಿರ ರೂಪಾಯಿಗಳನ್ನು ಒಂದು ಮೈಲಿಗೆ ಖರ್ಚುಮಾಡುವುದು ತಮ್ಮ ಗಮನಕ್ಕೆ ಬಂದಿದೆಯೇ?

ಶ್ರೀ ಎಚ್. ಕೆ. ವೀರಣ್ಣಗೌಡ.—ಆ ಪ್ರಶ್ನೆ ಇದರೊಳಗೆ ಉದ್ಭವವಾಗುವುದಿಲ್ಲ.

ಶ್ರೀ ಯು. ಎಂ. ಮಾದಪ್ಪ.—ಶ್ರೀಯುತ ಮಲ್ಲಾರಾಧ್ಯರು ಚುನಾವಣೆಗೆ ನಿಂತಿದ್ದ ಕಾಲದಲ್ಲಿ ಮುಖ್ಯ ಮಂತ್ರಿಗಳು ಅಲ್ಲಿಗೆ ಬಂದಿದ್ದಾಗ ಅವರನ್ನು ಇಬ್ಬರ ಮೇಲೆ ಹೊರಿಸಿಕೊಂಡು ಹೋದದ್ದು ತಮಗೆ ಗೊತ್ತಿದೆಯೇ?

ಶ್ರೀ ಎಚ್. ಕೆ. ವೀರಣ್ಣಗೌಡ.—ಆ ವಿಷಯ ನನಗೆ ಗೊತ್ತಿಲ್ಲ.

ಶ್ರೀ ಜೆ. ಬಿ. ಮಲ್ಲಾರಾಧ್ಯ.—ಮುಖ್ಯ ಮಂತ್ರಿಗಳ ಕಾರು ಶಿರಮುಳ್ಳಿ ಹತ್ತಿರ ಹೊಳೆಯಲ್ಲಿ ಸಿಕ್ಕಿಹಾಕಿಕೊಂಡು ಅರ್ಧಗಂಟೆಕಾಲ ಅವರು ನೀರಿನಲ್ಲಿ ನಿಂತಿದ್ದುದು ಸರ್ಕಾರದ ಗಮನಕ್ಕೆ ಬಂದಿದೆಯೇ?

ಶ್ರೀ ಎಚ್. ಕೆ. ವೀರಣ್ಣಗೌಡ.—ನನ್ನ ಗಮನಕ್ಕೆ ಬಂದಿಲ್ಲ.

ಶ್ರೀ ಜೆ. ಬಿ. ಮಲ್ಲಾರಾಧ್ಯ.—ಈ ವಿಷಯದಲ್ಲಿ ಮುಖ್ಯ ಮಂತ್ರಿಗಳು ರಿಪೋರ್ಟ್ ಮಾಡಿದ್ದಾರೆಯೇ?

ಶ್ರೀ ಎಚ್. ಕೆ. ವೀರಣ್ಣಗೌಡ.—ಮುಖ್ಯ ಮಂತ್ರಿಗಳು ಈ ವಿಚಾರ ರಿಪೋರ್ಟ್ ಮಾಡುವುದಿಲ್ಲ. Minutes ಕಳುಹಿಸಿ ಇಂಥ ಕೆಲಸಕ್ಕೆ ಗಮನಕೊಡಿ ಎಂದು ಹೇಳುತ್ತಾರೆ. ಈ ಸಂದರ್ಭದಲ್ಲಿ ಅಂಥ Minute ನೋಡಿದ ಜ್ಞಾಪಕವಿಲ್ಲ.

Dr. R. NAGAN GOWDA.—Rs. 400 per mile for the State Fund Roads—is it for maintenance?

Sri H. K. VEERANNA GOWDH.—Yes.

Recovery of Arrears of Taxes from the R.M.D.C.

Q.—999. Sri K. KENCHAPPA (Hiriyur).—

Will the Government be pleased to state:—

(*a*) the period for which the accounts of the R.M.D.C. Cross Words (Mysore) Private Limited were audited, by the State Accounts Department and the reason for not auditing the accounts of the previous and subsequent periods;

(*b*) the amounts (actual or probable) that the Company will have to pay, if recoveries on account of taxes are made as per remarks of the Auditors and on accounts subsequent to stay order issued by the Court mentioning the nature of security obtained by the court granting stay order for the recovery of the amount that may become due.

(*c*) whether there is any chance of recovery of the entire arrears of the tax taking into consideration the existing circumstances of the Company;

(*d*) the directives they have received from the Central Government in this respect?

A.—Sri H. S. RUDRAPPA (Minister for Agriculture) [On behalf of Sri T. MARIAPPA (Minister for Finance)].—

(*a*) and (*b*) Answers to these questions cannot be given, as they are the basis of the claims by Government in respect of which coercive steps are being taken. In the suit by the R.M.D.C. in the District Court, they have *inter alia* prayed for an injunction restraining the State from recovering the dues. Hence the matters are *sub judice*.

(*c*) Question of recovery will arise only after the proceedings pending in Courts are disposed of.

(*d*) The directions are confidential and it is not in the public interest to disclose them.

Sri H. S. RUDRAPPA.—I am sorry I have not got that file.

Sri U. M. MADAPPA.—I would request that this question No. 999 may be taken up the next day because the Minister for Agriculture is not able to answer the supplementaries satisfactorily.

Mr. DEPUTY SPEAKER.—All right, we will take it up the next day.

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Acquisition of Lands for A.K. Colony in Holebathi Village.

Q.—2049. Sri G. DUGGAPPA (Chitaldrug).—

Will the Government be pleased to state:—

(*a*) when did they acquire land for the village extension, *i.e.*, for Adikar-

nataka Colony in Holebathi village Davangere taluk ;

(*b*) the area acquired for this purpose ;

(*c*) whether the acquisition proceedings have been completed ;

(*d*) the compensation given to the owner of the land ;

(*e*) whether the Adikarnatakas have been given possession of the land that was acquired for their benefit ;

(*f*) if so, when ;

(*g*) if not, the reason for the same ?

A.—Sri R. CHENNIGARAMAIAH (Minister for Local Self-Government).—

(*a*) In the year 1951.

(*b*) 1,850 Sq. Yds. (15 Guntas and 35 Sq. Yds.)

(*c*) Yes.

(*d*) A sum of Rs. 265-15-0 has been awarded as compensation but the land owner has not received though a notice was issued.

(*e*) Yes.

(*f*) In February 1958.

(*g*) Does not arise.

ಶ್ರೀ ಜಿ. ದುಗ್ಗಪ್ಪ.—ಯಾರಾದರೂ ಮಾಲೀಕರು ಪೊಸೆಷ್ಷ ಕೊಡಲು ತೊಂದರೆಪಡಿಸಿರುವುದು ಸರ್ಕಾರದ ಗಮನಕ್ಕೆ ಬಂದಿದೆಯೇ ?

*ಶ್ರೀ ಆರ್. ಚೆನ್ನಿಗರಾಮಯ್ಯ.—ಪೊಸೆಷ್ಷ ಕೊಟ್ಟಿದೆಯಲ್ಲಾ.

ಶ್ರೀ ಜಿ. ದುಗ್ಗಪ್ಪ.—ಮನೆ ಕಟ್ಟಿಕೊಳ್ಳುವುದಕ್ಕೆ ಮಾಲೀಕರು ಅಡ್ಡಿ ಆತಂಕ ಮಾಡುತ್ತಾ ಇದ್ದಾರೆಯೇ ?

ಶ್ರೀ ಆರ್. ಚೆನ್ನಿಗರಾಮಯ್ಯ.—ಅಡ್ಡಿ ಆತಂಕ ಮಾಡಿರುವುದು ಗೊತ್ತಿಲ್ಲ.

ಶ್ರೀ ಜಿ. ದುಗ್ಗಪ್ಪ.—ಮನೆ ಕಟ್ಟಿಕೊಳ್ಳುವುದಕ್ಕೆ ತಕರಾರು ಮಾಡುತ್ತಿರುವುದು ಸರ್ಕಾರದ ಗಮನಕ್ಕೆ ಬಂದರೆ, ಸೂಕ್ತ ಕಾರ್ಯಕ್ರಮ ತೆಗೆದುಕೊಳ್ಳುತ್ತೀರಾ ?

ಶ್ರೀ ಆರ್. ಚೆನ್ನಿಗರಾಮಯ್ಯ:—ಸ್ಕೆಟುಗಳನ್ನು ವಿಲೇವಾರಿ ಮಾಡಿದ್ದಾರೆ. ಪೊಸೆಷ್ಷ ಕೊಡುವುದು ವಿಳಂಬವಾಗಿರಬಹುದು. ಪೊಸೆಷ್ಷ ತೆಗೆದುಕೊಂಡ ಮೇಲೆ ನೀವು ಹೇಳಿದಹಾಗೆ ತಕರಾರು ಮಾಡಿರಬೇಕು.

Sri G. VENKATAI GOWDA.—It is stated that the land owner has not received the amount though a notice was issued. May I know whether the amount was deposited in court ?

Sri R. CHENNIGARAMAIAH.—Not in court ; probably they have deposited it in the Treasury.

Dr. R. NAGAN GOWDA.—In reply to the supplementary put by Sri G. Duggappa, it was stated that there might be some difficulty in getting hold of the land. In cases where there is difficulty encountered by the Harijans to whom plots have been awarded, what steps do Government propose to take to see that these people get hold of the land and are allowed to build houses without any difficulty ?

Sri R. CHENNIGARAMAIAH.—If there are such difficulties, the revenue officer will be asked to take possession of the land and distribute the sites to the concerned people directly. As a matter of fact, recently in Chintamani when a similar case was brought to the notice of Government, I immediately asked the Deputy Commissioner to see that the land was distributed. Even the Panchayat refused to take possession because of the land owner. I got a report that the Amildar went to the spot and distributed the plot to the parties concerned.

ಶ್ರೀ ಟಿ. ಹನುಮಯ್ಯ.—ಕಾಂಪೆನ್ಸೇಷ್ಷ ದುಡ್ಡು ಕೊಟ್ಟಿರುವುದನ್ನು ಮಾಲೀಕರು ಏಕೆ ತೆಗೆದುಕೊಂಡಿಲ್ಲ ?

ಶ್ರೀ ಆರ್. ಚೆನ್ನಿಗರಾಮಯ್ಯ.—ಅದರ ತಾಪತ್ರಯ ನಿಮಗೇಕೆ ? ಅವರು ಅಪೀಲು ಹೋಗುವುದಕ್ಕೆ ಸುಮ್ಮನೆ ಕುಳಿತುಕೊಂಡಿರಬಹುದು.

ಶ್ರೀ ಟಿ. ಹನುಮಯ್ಯ.—ತಕರಾರು ಮಾಡುವುದಕ್ಕೋಸ್ಕರ ಅಲ್ಲವೇ, ದುಡ್ಡು ತೆಗೆದುಕೊಳ್ಳದೇ ಇರುವುದು ?

ಶ್ರೀ ಆರ್. ಚೆನ್ನಿಗರಾಮಯ್ಯ.—ಪೊಸೆಷ್ಷ ತೆಗೆದುಕೊಂಡ ಮೇಲೆ, ಮಾಲೀಕರ ಕೈಬಿಟ್ಟ ಹಾಗೆಯೇ ಕಾಂಪೆನ್ಸೇಷ್ಷ ಕಡಿಮೆ ಎಂದು ಮಾಲೀಕರು ಕೇಳಿಲ್ಲ ಜಾಸ್ತಿ ಕೇಳುವುದಕ್ಕೆ ಅವಕಾಶವಿರಬಹುದು ಎಂದು ತೆಗೆದುಕೊಳ್ಳದೆ ಇರಬಹುದು.

Mr. DEPUTY SPEAKER.—Question No. 2105.

Sri C. J. MUCKANNAPPA.—The Minister for Home is not present. Even the Deputy Minister for Home is not here. Yesterday, the Speaker gave a direction that the Ministers must be present normally. As many as five Ministers are not here. I cannot understand why the questions tabled should have to be postponed. If the Ministers are to be away on a call from the Government of India; I can understand, but suppsoing a Minister chooses to go on a tour to attend to some public function and is not present here when the question relating to him is

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called what is to be done? There should be some definite way of going through the business of the House which is more important than a public function outside the House. The Minister for Finance also is not here. He has not gone to Delhi.

Sri H. S. RUDRAPPA.—They have gone to Delhi on Government business. That is also urgent business.

Sri J. B. MALLARADHYA.—Will a comprehensive statement be made on behalf of the Treasury Benches as to who are all the Ministers who have gone out and on what particular business? The reason for that is that I have sent a short notice question on the 4th March 1958, but till now it has not been answered. To-day quite a large number of Ministers are not present. It may be that they have gone on business. The House would like to be informed about the details. A comprehensive statement may be made on behalf of the Treasury Benches.

Sri H. K. VEERANNA GOWDH.—The other day I said that I would like to draw the attention of the Hon'ble Members to the Minsters' Tour Programme published every day. I do not know whether it is not distributed to Members. In that programme it is clearly stated as to who are the Ministers who are leaving the Head-Quarters and to which place and for what purpose. The programme is published every day. Have you not received a copy of it?

Sri C. J. MUCKANNAPPA.—None of us has received a copy.

Sri H. K. VEERANNA GOWDH.—Then it is a mistake. I will see that every member is supplied with a copy of the tour programme.

Sri V. P. DEENADAYALU NAIDU.—Of late, this question is cropping up too often. On a previous occasion, Sri Veeranna Gowdh was not present in the Assembly when the question relating to him came up and on that occasion he was good enough to address a letter to the Chair informing at least the House that he was not going to be available, but later on, of course, he joined the House. Whether the Minister is on tour, or attending some function, or whatever it is, I think it is a very fair and very good practice that the Minister should address a letter to the Chair and inform the House of his inability to be present. If that is not done, it does not look proper. Last time the practice observed by Sri Veeranna Gowdh was quite good.

Sri H. K. VEERANNA GOWDH.—My intention in drawing the attention of the House to the tour programme of Ministers is not to say that the Minister need not write to the Chair. That is obligatory. I hope the Ministers who are in the Station have written for the information of the Members. If the Hon'ble Members care to know who are all the Ministers who are absent to-day and why they are absent, with your permission I would like to read out this "Notice of Ministers' Engagements for 2nd May 1958."

"*Ministers.*—

Sriyuths—

1 S. Nijalingappa, Chief Minister. — Leaving for Delhi on 2nd morning to attend the meetings of the National Development Council. Returning on 6th afternoon.

2 M. P. Patil, Minister for Revenue. — Leaving for Bellary on 1st May night for tour of Bellary District. Returning on 5th.

3 B. Vaikunta Baliga, Minister for Labour and Legal Affairs. — Leaving for Mangalore on 2nd morning for the opening ceremony of the bridge across the Kubja River. Returning on 4th.

4 R. M. Patil, Minister for Health. — Leaving for Simla on 1st May at 4·10 P.M. to attend the Central Council of Health Conference. Returning on 6th May.

Deputy Ministers.—

1	Ramakrishna Hegde, Deputy Minister for Planning and Development.	Leaving for Delhi on 1st May morning for discussion with Union Ministers. Returning on 5th.
2	Veerendra Patil, Deputy Minister for Home and Industries.	Leaving for Delhi on 1st morning, Returning on 6th.

All the other Ministers and Deputy Ministers will be at Headquarters."

Sri J. B. MALLARADHYA.—What the Hon'ble Minister read out just now answers our question only partially. The point is, the Ministers should not prefer some Government work to the regular business of the House. Opening ceremony or foundation ceremony of a bridge and similar things, I personally feel, should not be considered to be more important than the business of the House. Why Ministers do not write for permission to the Speaker is more than I can say.

Mr. DEPUTY SPEAKER.—All of them have written.

Sri J. B. MALLARADHYA.—If Hon'ble Ministers have to go to Delhi on Government business, it is in the nature of a mandate or a directive from the Central Government and we are prepared to accept it. Take for example, the Revenue Minister. He is stated to be touring in Bellary District till the 9th. Normal routine inspection which should have taken its usual chance after the session, has been preferred to the scheduled business of this august House. Is there any special situation arising in Bellary necessitating the Minister's presence at that place?

Sri H. K. VEERANNA GOWDH.—There is a special situation there which requires his attention. Therefore he has gone there.

Sri G. SIVAPPA.—Sir, why should the questions of absentee Ministers be taken up in this House? For the convenience of the Ministers, the absentee Minister's questions may not be put down in the list at all.

Mr. DEPUTY SPEAKER.—It is a good suggestion. Anyhow, all the Hon'ble Ministers who have gone away from Bangalore, have intimated the chair and they have gone on important Government business. Anyhow, since the Ministers are not here, and since they have gone on Government duty, let us not pursue the matter.

Sri J. B. MALLARADHYA.—I bow to the decision of the Chair. But this is not the first time that a thing like that has happened. I do not think that such a thing happens in any other Assembly. The obvious inference that we could draw from this attitude of Ministers is that they do not consider the business of this Assembly to be as important as any other business. I do not say this in respect of Hon'ble Ministers who have gone to Delhi on important Government business. But in respect of other Ministers who have gone on tour inside the State, we have to take this objection.

Mr. DEPUTY SPEAKER.—They have also gone on duty.

Sri J. B. MALLARADHYA.—Let us know whether there is any urgent business warranting their presence at those places.

Sri G. N. PUTTANNA.—Is it not that some Ministers have gone on election campaign?

Sri H. S. RUDRAPPA.—No, No. Only two Ministers have gone out on Government duty inside the State. Sri M. P. Patil has gone on urgent business in connection with the Tungabhadra Project. We have to send a report to the Government of India with regard to the progress we have made and therefore he has called for a Board meeting. Therefore, he has gone there and is returning to Bangalore on the 5th, not on the 9th.

Sri G. N. PUTTANNA.—We accept the tour of the Revenue Minister, Sir. But, in the case of the Law Minister, was it so important for him to go to Mangalore?

Sri H. K. VEERANNA GOWDH.—Yes, just before monsoon.

Sri G. N. PUTTANNA.—I know the conditions in Malnad and I know when the monsoon begins in Mangalore. I am very emphatic that he has gone on election campaign.

Sri R. CHENNIGARAMAIAH.—Legislature business concerning other Ministers is not before the House. I agree there are some questions, but the practice generally is to postpone those questions to a later date and they will be taken up again when they are present in the House.

Sri M. C. NARASIMHAN.—Sir, last time when this question came up, I pointed out that so far as the practice in Lok Sabha is concerned, the Speaker took severe objection to the Ministers not being present in the House. I suggest that the practice of Lok Sabha may be followed here. Lok Sabha practice which requires that Ministers should be present on the particular day is more or less prevalent so far as the questions are concerned, because the questions are printed one day in advance. The Minister concerned has adequate notice. If any extraordinary situation crops up, then the question is different. But my submission is that the Chair will have to give a specific ruling in respct of this matter. Let us know definitely that we have to adopt a particular course of action and we shall not allow ourselves to be subjected to the vagaries of the Ministers as well as the monsoon. My submission is that a clear directive from the Chair should be given.

Mr. DEPUTY SPEAKER.—That will be considered. There has been sufficient discussion of the matter. Let us now proceed to the regular business.

Vehicles under each Regional Transport Authority in the State.

Q.—2105. Sri G. B. SHANKAR RAO (Hirekerur).—

Will the Government be pleased to state :—

(*a*) the number of vehicles under the jurisdiction of each Regional Transport Authority in the State ;

(*b*) the number of State Transport Buses plying in North Karnatak, Hyderbad Karnatak and old Mysore ?

A.—Sri C. M. POONACHA (Minister for Home Affairs and Industries).—

(*a*) *Vide* statement appended.

(*b*) North Karnatak ... 422
Hyderabad Karnatak ... 61
Old Mysore ... 294

Statement showing the particulars of motor vehicles as on 1st April 1957.

Sl. No.	*Name of the District*	*No. of Motor vehicles*
1.	Bangalore District	9,456
2.	Kolar District	759
3.	Tumkur District	508
4.	Chitaldrug District	575
5.	Bellary District	820
6.	Mysore District	1,857
7.	Shimoga District	1,238
8.	Mandya District	380
9.	Hassan District	528
10.	Chickmagalur District	801
11.	Belgaum District	1,946
12.	Dharwar District	1,700
13.	Bijapur District	685